loss of wages to the acceptors of sterilization/IUD insertion is offered @ Rs. 300 for tubectomy, Rs. 200 for vasectomy and Rs. 20 for per case for IUD insertion. The concessions offered to Government employees for undergoing sterilization operation after two children are (i) a special increment in the form of Family Planning Allowance; and (ii) a rebate of 1/2% in the interest on House Building Advance.

Dengue epidemic

529. SHRI R.P. GOENKA:
SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:
DR. AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently there has been a spurt in the number of cases of dengue reported across the country, as compared to previous years;

(b) if so, the details of such cases registered and consequent deaths recorded during the last three years and so far this year, State-wise;

(c) the steps taken/being taken to coordinate with the State to ensure advance action for better sanitation and disease surveillance, especially in the more vulnerable areas, during/around monsoon period every year; and

(d) the details of any Central action drawn up/campaign proposed to be launched to eliminate the disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The number of Dengue cases and deaths reported during the last three year and current year, state-wise, are given in statement. (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Eradication of Dengue, which is a vector borne disease is not technically feasible. Therefore, all possible efforts are made to prevent & control the disease.

The strategy adopted for prevention and control of Dengue includes:—

* Issuance of advance warning to States/UTs suggesting all the preventive and control measures.

* Institutional & Management Capacity Building trained manpower development and efficient Management Information System.

* Information, Education & Communication towards personal prevention and community participation.

* Early detection and containment of epidemics.

* Vector control mainly through source reduction.

This year also like previous years all steps have been taken to coordinate with the States on the above lines.

Govt. of India and the endemic States are working together on controlling Dengue epidemic. While preventive measures and control of outbreaks is the responsibility of the States Govts., technical support for investigation, prevention and control of dengue outbreak in different parts of the country is provided by the Govt. of India to the States through Dte. of National Anti Malaria Programme (NAMP) and National Institute of Communicable Diseases (NICD) Delhi. Dte. Of NAMP and NICO provide laboratory diagnostic support for confirmatory etiological diagnosis. They also organize training programmes on prevention and control of dengue fever for state and district level health functionaries.

The Govt. of India provides insecticides, larvicides and other equipments and materials as per requirements of the States. The State Govts. on their part undertake surveillance activities, IEC campaigns, fogging to control adult vectors during outbreaks and case management in various hospitals and health care centres.

A National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme (NVBDCP) by converging prevention and control programmes for Dengue and Japanese Encephalities with three ongoing Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely National Anti Malaria Programme, National Filaria Control Programme and Kala-azar Control Programme has been approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on 15th October, 2003. For controlling Dengue, Central support is need based and is provided in the event of an outbreak.

Statement

State–wise dengue cases & deaths since 2000

Sl. No.	State	2000		2001		2002		2003	
		Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
1.	Andhra Pradesh	5	0	1	0	61	3	86	3
2.	Bihar	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
3.	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
4.	Delhi	180	2	322(*)	3(*)	45(**)	0	2838(***)	34
5.	Goa	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	0
6.	Gujarat	29	0	69	0	40	0	356	22
7.	Haryana	2	0	260	5	3	0	77	4
8.	Karnataka	196	0	220	0	428	1	1201	7
9.	Kerala	0	0	41	0	219	2	3453	67
10.	Maharashtra	66	3	54	2	370	18	455	34
11.	Punjab	91	1	49	0	27	2	837	13
12.	Rajasthan	0	0	1452	35	163	5	292	3
13.	Tamil Nadu	81	1	816	8	392	0	890	6
14.	Uttar Pradesh	0	0	21	0	0	0	730	8
TOTAL		650	7	3306	53	1764	31	11220	201

Compiled upto 02/12/03

(*) In the year 2001, 142 cases and 2 deaths are from outside Delhi
(**) In the year 2002, 9 cases are from outside Delhi
(***) As per the reports received from NICD/MCD

Worms in Chocolates

530. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM:

SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN:

SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :